

REMARKS**A. Claim Amendments**

Claims 1-5, 7-14, 30-34, 36-48, and 50-62 have been cancelled in this paper. New claims 63-70 have been added. Independent claim 63 recites a wafer having a surface, the surface comprising a plurality of elongated strips of polysilicon; and a plurality of elongated strips of dielectric material, the strips of dielectric material alternating with the strips of polysilicon, wherein the surface has been planarized by chemical mechanical planarization, and wherein a first percentage of total wafer surface area that is polysilicon is less than or equal to 70 percent.

Support for this claim can be found, for example, in paragraphs [0020]-[0022], paragraph [0025], and Figs. 1A, 1B, and 2A-2G. Support for dependent claims 64-70 can be found in these paragraphs and in paragraph [0034], for example.

B. Status of the Claims

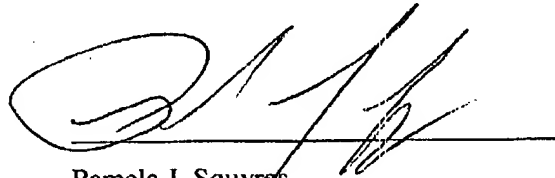
Claims 1-5, 7-14, 30-34, 36-48, and 50-62, all of the claims pending at the time of the previous office action, have been cancelled, and claims 63-70 have been added. Thus only new claims 63-70 are currently pending in the present application.

CONCLUSION

In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. **If any objections or rejections remain, Applicants respectfully request an interview to discuss the references.** In such event, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned agent at (408) 869-2921.

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